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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information cited in corresponding European Search Report on December 21, 2001(copy enclosed) in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

- 1) U.S. Patent No. 4,562,416, to Sedivec, issued December 31, 1985;
- 2) U.S. Patent No. 5,929,728 to Barnett et al., issued July 27, 1999;
- 3) U.S. Patent No. 6,005,458 to Buer et al., issued December 21, 1999;
- 4) European Patent No. 0 788 183, issued August 6, 1997; and
- 5) European Patent No. 0 249 310, issued December 16, 1987.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that each item of information contained in this

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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